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REMARKS

In response to the Office Communication mailed 07/02/07 Applicants submit the following remarks.

In a communication mailed July 2, 2007 the Examiner stated that the amendment filed on April 5, 2007 was improper because the newly presented claims were directed to a non-elected invention. (See communication mailed July 2, 2007, page 1, paragraph 1). On July 31, 2007, attorney Michael J. Swope Registration number 38,041 conducted an interview with Examiner Ly and Examiner Vo. During the interview, it was agreed that claims 36 – 70 would be entered and examined.

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 36 - 70 as presented on April 5, 2007 were directed to the same invention as original claims 1 - 35. For example, claim 36 submitted on April 5, 2007 recited:

A computer implemented method comprising:

storing data for one or more applications in a repository, the data stored as objects including content, the objects conforming to a schema that characterizes each object into one or more object types that allows the repository to understand and interpret the content of each object;

receiving at least one request from said one or more applications for specific content; and

retrieving one or more objects that include said specific content for said one or more applications.

Applicants have agreed to present new claims in order to further prosecution, and reserve the right to prosecute claims 36 - 70 as presented on April 5, 2007 in the future.

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CONCLUSION

An agreement was reached to enter claims 36 - 70. Applicants respectfully request that the claims be examined and a Notice of Allowance of all claims be issued by the Examiner.

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